

Jakub (Kuba) Jilemicky (1980—)

Jakub was born in Prague (Czech Republic). He studied at the Prague Business University, graduating in International Territorial studies and majoring in tourism. His Diploma work was about specifics of South Africa tourism which led to his interest in the study of *Haworthia*, *Gasteria* and *Astroloba* which he has been involved in for a number of years. He spent more than 2 years in South Africa and he visits the country regularly. He has traveled to other Southern African countries - Namibia, Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe, mostly as a tourist guide. He has a well-known web site - www.haworthia-gasteria.com, which is dedicated to the genera *Haworthia*, *Astroloba* and *Gasteria*.



Jakub on a mountain side in northern Namaqualand with *Pachypodium namaquanum*.



Jakub and huge *Euphorbia horrida* clump



Searching for tiny plants in one of many isolated quartz patches in northern Namaqualand. These patches hide tiny plants like *Lithops*, *Crassulas*, etc.